

of a judge of the district court seasonably to issue, and of the officer or agent of the United States designated for the purpose to execute. Such officer or agent, when engaged in executing such warrant without the Canal Zone, shall have all the powers of a marshal of the United States so far as such powers are requisite for the prisoner's safe keeping and the execution of the warrant."

SEC. 3. Chapter 2, title 7, of the Canal Zone Code is amended by adding, immediately after section 26, a new section numbered 26a and reading as follows:

"26a. RULES OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.—In respect to matters not covered by this code, the United States District Court for the District of the Canal Zone may adopt rules governing its criminal procedure, not inconsistent with the laws of the United States."

Approved, December 16, 1941.

[CHAPTER 581]

AN ACT

To amend the Canal Zone Code.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 2264 of title 3 of the Canal Zone Code, approved June 19, 1934, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"2264. WHEN VOID AS TO THIRD PERSONS.—A mortgage of personal property is void as against creditors of the mortgagor and subsequent purchasers and encumbrancers of the property in good faith and for value, unless—

"1. It is accompanied by the affidavit of all the parties thereto that it is made in good faith and without any design to hinder, delay, or defraud creditors;

"2. It is acknowledged or proved and certified in the manner prescribed in chapter 22 of this title; and

"3. It, or a true copy, is filed in the office of the registrar of property of the Canal Zone."

SEC. 2. That section 2265 of title 3 of the Canal Zone Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

"2265. FILING.—The registrar of property shall mark upon the mortgage of personal property, or copy, filed with him the day and hour of filing and shall file the mortgage, or copy, in his office for public inspection. He shall keep a separate book in which he shall enter the names of the mortgagor and the mortgagee, the date of the mortgage, the day and hour of filing, a brief description of the property mortgaged and the amount of the mortgage. Such book shall be indexed under the names of both mortgagor and mortgagee. For filing and entering such mortgage or copy, or any assignment of such mortgage, the registrar shall be entitled to a fee of 50 cents."

SEC. 3. That article 2, chapter 63, title 3, Canal Zone Code, is hereby amended by adding, immediately after section 2265, a new section numbered 2265a and reading as follows:

"2265a. FILING ASSIGNMENT OF MORTGAGE, NOTICE TO MORTGAGOR.—An assignment of a mortgage of personal property may be filed in like manner as a mortgage of personal property, and each filing operates as notice to all persons subsequently deriving title to the mortgage from the assignor: *Provided*, That when a mortgage of personal property is executed as security for money due, or to become due, on a promissory note, bond, or other instrument designated in the mortgage, the filing of the assignment of the mortgage is not, of itself, notice to a mortgagor, his heirs, or personal representatives, so as to invalidate any payment made by them, or either of them, to the person holding such note, bond, or other instrument."

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[Public Law 344]

Canal Zone Code,  
amendments.

Mortgage of per-  
sonal property.

Manner of filing  
and indexing.

Assignment of mort-  
gage.

*Provido.*

SEC. 4. That article 2, chapter 63, title 3, Canal Zone Code, is hereby amended by adding at the end of the said article a new section numbered 2274 and reading as follows:

Certificate of payment or satisfaction.

"2274. MORTGAGE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY, HOW DISCHARGED.—Upon the payment or satisfaction of a mortgage of personal property, the mortgagee, his assignee, or legal representative, upon the request of the mortgagor or of any person interested in the mortgaged property, must execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the person requesting it a certificate setting forth such payment or satisfaction. If the mortgagee, his assignee, or legal representative shall refuse to execute, acknowledge, and deliver to the mortgagor or other person interested in the mortgaged property the certificate provided for herein he shall forfeit to the person requesting such certificate the sum of \$5 and be liable for all damages suffered by reason of such refusal. Upon presentation of the certificate of payment or satisfaction to the registrar of property, he shall file the same and note the discharge of the mortgage and the date thereon on the margin of the page where the mortgage has been entered. For filing and entering the certificate of payment or satisfaction, the registrar shall be entitled to a fee of 25 cents."

SEC. 5. That section 784 of title 5 of the Canal Zone Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Taking vehicle without permission of owner.

"784. TAKING VEHICLE FOR TEMPORARY USE OR OPERATION.—Any person who shall, without the permission of the owner thereof, take any automobile, bicycle, motorcycle, or other vehicle, for the purpose of temporarily using or operating the same, shall be punished for the first offense by a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment in jail for not more than thirty days, or by both, and shall be punished for each subsequent offense by a fine of not more than \$500 or by imprisonment in jail for not more than six months, or by both."

Approved, December 16, 1941.

#### [CHAPTER 582]

#### AN ACT

December 16, 1941  
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[Public Law 345]

Authorizing the conveyance to the State of Virginia, for highway purposes only, a portion of the Naval Mine Depot Reservation at Yorktown, Virginia.

Virginia.  
Conveyance of land  
to State.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to convey to the State of Virginia, for highway purposes only, upon such terms and conditions as he may prescribe, all right, title, and interest of the United States of America in and to two strips or parcels of land of the Naval Mine Depot Reservation at Yorktown, York County, Virginia, containing twenty and two one-hundredths acres, more or less.

Approved, December 16, 1941.

#### [CHAPTER 583]

#### AN ACT

To amend the Canal Zone Code.

December 16, 1941  
[H. R. 4495]  
[Public Law 346]

Canal Zone Code,  
amendments.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 142 of title 2 of the Canal Zone Code, approved June 19, 1934, as amended by section 7 of the Act of June 24, 1936 (ch. 754, 49 Stat. 1905), is hereby amended to read as follows:

"142. PUNISHMENT OF PERSONS RETURNING AFTER DEPORTATION FOLLOWING IMPRISONMENT.—Any person who, after having served a sentence of imprisonment in the Canal Zone and having been deported